



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 1298***

LCO No. 4405

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Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:  
(INS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR  
OUTPATIENT IMAGING SERVICES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2005*) No individual health  
2       insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in  
3       subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 delivered,  
4       issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this state on or  
5       after October 1, 2005, shall direct or require an insured or enrollee to  
6       obtain approval from the insurer or health care center prior to  
7       undergoing any of the following outpatient imaging services when  
8       such service is ordered by a physician: (1) Magnetic resonance imaging  
9       (MRI), (2) magnetic resonance angiography (MRA), (3) computed  
10      tomography angiography (CTA), (4) positron emission tomography  
11      (PET scan), (5) computed axial tomography (CAT scan), (6) single  
12      photon emission computed tomography (SPECT), and (7) nuclear  
13      cardiology.

14      Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2005*) No group health insurance  
15      policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2),  
16      (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery,

17 amended, renewed or continued in this state on or after October 1,  
18 2005, shall direct or require an insured or enrollee to obtain approval  
19 from the insurer or health care center prior to undergoing any of the  
20 following outpatient imaging services when such service is ordered by  
21 a physician: (1) Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), (2) magnetic  
22 resonance angiography (MRA), (3) computed tomography  
23 angiography (CTA), (4) positron emission tomography (PET scan), (5)  
24 computed axial tomography (CAT scan), (6) single photon emission  
25 computed tomography (SPECT), and (7) nuclear cardiology.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2005	New section
Sec. 2	October 1, 2005	New section

***Statement of Purpose:***

To prohibit health insurers and health care centers from requiring prior approval for certain outpatient imaging services.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*